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Sir:

This paper is submitted under the provisions of Rule 114, in combination with a request for continued examination, to place the application in condition for allowance or otherwise to advance prosecution. A petition for a one-month extension of time to respond, enlarging the response period up to and including April 27, 2007 is being filed concurrently.

Amendments to the claim language begin on page 2 of this paper.

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